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(57) Abstract

A braking device for a wheeled trolley or cart intended to operate when an attempt is made to remove the trolley from a designated area. The device may be fitted to a castor (4) of the trolley. The device comprises a magnetically operated trigger (10) which operates, via a blocking member (22), to release the block on actuation of the braking member (2) when the device is passed in close proximity to magnetic material. The magnetic material may advantageously be positioned in the ground (9) at the boundary of the designated area, with the trigger (10) also comprising at least a portion of magnetic material (12) arranged to interact with the magnetic material in the ground (9) when the device is passed thereover. In its braking position, the braking member (2) comes into contact with the ground (9) and acts to lift one or more of the trolley castors (4) clear of the ground upon continued movement of the trolley so as to impede the continued movement of the trolley.

